

Region I – 4A and 5A

UIL Academic Meet

April 22 – 23, 2026

Hosted by

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“FROM HERE, IT’S POSSIBLE”



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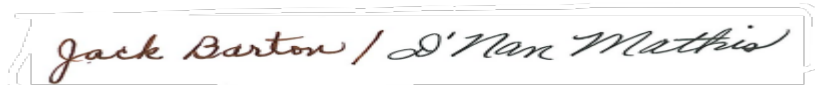
To All Region I- 4A-5A Coaches, Directors, and Sponsors:

Welcome to Lubbock and Texas Tech University – home of the Red Raiders! We look forward to spending time with you on Wednesday and Thursday, April 22-23, 2026. We will host you this year at Memorial High School located at 7012 43rd Drive Lubbock, Tx. 79407. Texas Tech UIL realizes students enjoy the pursuit of excellence and seek opportunities to test themselves against their own accomplishments and the accomplishments of others. Texas Tech UIL believes the classroom is enriched by the flow of student energy into the more intensified arena of competition which feeds back into the classroom.

Therefore, we at Texas Tech UIL affirm that students are the focus of our endeavors and deserve an opportunity to nurture self-realization and build self-confidence; fill a sense of pride and dignity; experience teamwork and develop a sense of fair play; develop the ability to lead and willingness to follow; compliment their classwork with practice and performance; and discover ultimately the true meaning of winning is doing one's best.

Because of changes in this fast-moving world we live in, Texas Tech UIL will continue to provide an exciting, educational, and safe competition for all of our students in Region I. Best of luck with your competition at the Region I 4A-5A academic meet. We look forward to seeing you there.

Best regards,



Jack Barton and D'Nan Mathis
Texas Tech University
4A-5A Region I Academic Directors



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REGIONAL MEET INFORMATION

The information table will be located at the North entrance of Memorial High.

RESULTS

All results can be found on the UIL website at Region Results in SpeechWire.

TESTING MATERIALS

Following UIL rules, all tests, keys, and testing materials cannot be released until Saturday. We will mail materials and awards not picked up as soon as we can.

DROPS AND ALTERNATES

District chairs should notify alternates ASAP as they are told of qualifiers that will not be attending the meet. District chairs should also notify the Region Director at jack.barton@ttu.edu of alternates that have been seated.

SUBSTITUTIONS

The CC&R states that a qualifying team may substitute one team member at the Region level. The coaches of the said team should submit a substitution form for the substitution team to the Region Director.

GRADING

All coaches are expected to help with grading or possibly monitoring for non-writing events. Once the testing period finishes, coaches should report to the grading room for scoring. Again, the contests cannot start on time and efficiently if we do not have the help of all the coaches.

AWARDS

After each contest is scored and a verification window has been held, awards can be picked up in the tally room.

HOSPITALITY

There will be a hospitality room for coaches, judges, and workers on both days in room 2504.

FOOD for PURCHASE

There will be a concession and a food truck on site.

JOURNALISM & READY WRITING

All journalism and ready writing contestants should bring his/her own laptop (accepting the risk of computer malfunction), printer, power strip, power cords, and paper, or they may choose to handwrite their paper.

RECOGNITION

There will be participation certificates for students available in the tally room. There will also be pad-folios with ball point pins for all coaches in the tally room.

4A Regional Schedule for SPEECH & DEBATE

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TIME	CONTEST	ROOM	GRADE
7:30 am	LD Debate Roll Call	2507	
	Poetry Roll Call	2006	
	Prose Roll Call	2006	
8:00 am	LD Debate Prelims – Round 1		
	Poetry Prelims		
	Prose Prelims		
	Ready Writing Set-Up	2502, 2503	
8:30 am	Ready Writing	2502, 2503	2502
9:00 am	LD Debate Prelims – Round 2		
10:00 am	LD Debate Round 3		
11:15 am	Informative Roll Call	2006	
	Persuasive Roll Call	2006	
11: 30 am	Informative Draw	2006	
	Persuasive Draw	2006	
12 Noon	Informative Prelims		
	Persuasive Prelims		
1:30 pm	Computer Science Written	2404, 2406	2402
2:45 pm	Computer Science Programming Set-Up	2404, 2406	
3:00 pm	Computer Science Programming	2404, 2406	
	Poetry Finals		
	Prose Finals		
	LD Debate Quarter Finals		
4:00 pm	LD Debate Semi-Finals		
5:00 pm	Informative Draw	2006	
	Persuasive Draw	2006	
5:30 pm	Informative Finals		
	Persuasive Finals		
6:30 pm	LD Debate Finals *could run 5:30 if no extemp conflicts		
Hospitality for coaches and workers only		2504	
Tab room for LD Debate		2418	
Tab room for Speech		2005	
Regional Tally Room		2416	

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TIME	CONTEST	ROOM	GRADE
7:30 am	LD Debate Roll Call	2507	
	Poetry Roll Call	2006	
	Prose Roll Call	2006	
8:00 am	LD Debate Prelims – Round 1		
	Poetry Prelims		
	Prose Prelims		
	Ready Writing Set-Up	2409, 2411	
8:30 am	Ready Writing	2409, 2411	2502
9:00 am	LD Debate Prelims – Round 2		
10:00 am	LD Debate Round 3		
11:15 am	Informative Roll Call	2006	
	Persuasive Roll Call	2006	
11:30 am	Informative Draw	2006	
	Persuasive Draw	2006	
12 Noon	Informative Prelims		
	Persuasive Prelims		
1:30 pm	Computer Science Written	2408, 2410	2412
2:45 pm	Computer Science Programming Set-Up	2408, 2410	
3:00 pm	Computer Science Programming	2408, 2410	
	Poetry Finals		
	Prose Finals		
	LD Debate Quarter Finals		
4:00 pm	LD Debate Semi-Finals		
5:00 pm	Informative Draw	2006	
	Persuasive Draw	2006	
5:30 pm	Informative Finals		
	Persuasive Finals		
6:30 pm	LD Debate Finals *could run 5:30 if no extemp conflicts		
Hospitality for coaches and workers only		2504	
Tab room for LD Debate		2418	
Tab room for Speech		2005	
Regional Tally Room		2416	

5A Regional Schedule for ACADEMICS

Texas Tech University – 2026

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April 23, 2026

TIME	CONTEST	ROOM	GRADE
8:00 am	Number Sense	2113, 2111	2115
	Current Issues & Events	2108, 2106	2110
	Journalism Orientation	2006	
9:00 am	Calculator Applications	2113, 2111	2103
10:00 am	Copy Editing	2408, 2410	2505
10:45 am	News Writing	2408, 2410	2505
11:00 am	Spelling and Vocabulary	2405, 2407	2403
	Accounting	2313, 2311	2315
	Science	2113, 2111	2101
12 Noon	Feature Writing	2408, 2410	2505
1:30 pm	Social Studies	2108, 2106	2110
	Editorial Writing	2408, 2410	2505
2:30 pm	Headline Writing	2408, 2410	2505
	Mathematics	2113, 2111	2113
3:30 pm	Literary Criticism	2405, 2407	2403
**	All Journalism Verification	2412	
Hospitality for coaches and workers only		2504	
Regional Tally Room		2416	

****Reminder to all journalism competitors: You must bring your own laptop and printer or you may handwrite your paper.**

Region 1-4A & 5A
Speech Meet Information
Wednesday, April 22, 2026

Congratulations on qualifying for the UIL Regional Speech Meet! If you cannot compete at the Regional Meet, it is critical that you contact Regional Directors Jack Barton (jack.barton@ttu.edu) or D’Nan Mathis (dnmathis@ttu.edu) at the Texas Tech UIL Office promptly.

****PROSE AND POETRY CONTESTANTS****

All documentation for your contest will be submitted electronically. If you have issues or questions, email Amy West at asuamy88@gmail.com BEFORE the deadline.

Documentation Due Date: Wednesday, April 15, 2026.

Scan your documentation for both categories as ONE continuous document in the following order:

- 1. UIL Official Selection Documentation Form for Category A** (Link for form is below. Must be typed)
- 2. CATEGORY A proof of publication** (Scan proof of publication for each selection in the order they were listed on the Selection Documentation Form)
- 3. UIL Official Selection Documentation Form for Category B** (Link for form is below. Must be typed.)

****Electronic Documentation Submission Procedure****

Category A and B should be scanned all together as one document. Follow this order.

For **Category A**:

- **UIL Official Selection Documentation Form A** (verify form is typed, downloaded, then signed by both student and coach before scanning)
- Cover of Book
- Publication Page (copyright information is on this page)
- Table of Contents
- Title page (1st page of the selection within the book)
- *Proof of Genre (Only necessary if selection is taken from an anthology that includes multiple genres (such as prose AND poetry AND drama). If so, in addition, you must include proof of the GENRE of your specific selection(s) unless the Table of Contents designates the genre.)
- For performances that contain **multiple selections**, scan in the same order each title is listed on your selection Documentation form.

For **Category B**:

- **UIL Official Selection Documentation Form for Category B** (verify form is typed, downloaded, then signed by both student and coach before scanning)

Save as one PDF FILE (no Google documents). Proof your scanned documentation before you submit it to be certain it is:

- **Readable**
- **Right side up**
- **Complete**
- **In order as prescribed above**

****Incorrect documents will be returned for correction and resubmission.****

Label your single scanned document in this manner: Last Name_First Name_School UIL Conference

[Prose Documentation form](#)

[Poetry Documentation Form](#)

Please upload UIL Documentation Forms and materials to the appropriate folder.

[4A Poetry Folder](#)

[4A Prose Folder](#)

[5A Poetry Folder](#)

[5A Prose Folder](#)

Documentation Deadline: Wednesday, April 15, 2026

Documentation will be moved by contest directors to the “VERIFIED” folder once it is approved. Check periodically to confirm your status.

****Bring to Roll Call 3 printed copies of each category of your Selection Documentation Form to give to your 3 judges on the judging panel. (Only the form itself is necessary to give to them).**

****ALL SPEECH COMPETITORS****

Wednesday, April 22, 2026		
All rooms are located on the Second Floor!!		
7:30 AM	Prose/Poetry Roll Call	Library-Room 2006
	LD Roll Call	Room 2507
8:00 AM	Prose/Poetry Prelims	*
	LD Round 1	*
9:00 AM	LD Round 2	*
10:00 AM	LD Round 3	*
11:15 AM	Inf/Pers Roll Call	Library-Room 2006
11:30 AM	Inf/Pers Draw	*
12:00 PM	Inf/Pers Prelims	*
1:30 PM	LD Quarters	*
	Prose/Poetry Finals	*
2:30 PM	LD Semis	*
3:30 PM	Inf/Pers Draw	*
4:00 PM	Inf/Pers Finals	*
5:00 PM	LD Finals	*
		*TBD

COACHES

*****NEW REQUIREMENT*****

Each school will need to provide 1 judge/timekeeper. Please email asuamy88@gmail.com with the name, cell number, and email of the volunteer for your school by Wednesday, April 15, 2026.

Please fill out a new Coach Information Form below so we can have your updated information.

[Coach Information Form](#)

We would also like you and your students to join a **NEW REMIND** group so you can receive updated information about postings, verification, reminders, etc.

4A Schools: Text the message [@4aregion1](#) to 81010.

5A Schools: Text the message [@5aregion1](#) to 81010.

CONTEST INFORMATION

LD: 1 judge per prelim round; panel of 3 judges in quarters, semis, and finals.

Prose, Poetry, Informative, and Persuasive: Panel of 3 judges in the prelim round and finals. Contestants will be competing in 3 different sections in the prelim round. Top 2 competitors from each section advance to finals.

LD Tab Room: Room 2418

Hospitality: Room 2504

Speech Tab Room: Room 2005

Extemp Prep Room: Library-Room 2006

